



CITY OF ALLENTOWN

No. 65

RESOLUTION

- 2020

Introduced by the Administration on May 20, 2020

Authorizes the Administration to Sell City Property located at 725 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, PIN #640618377936 to the Allentown Housing Authority for affordable housing for One Dollar.

Resolved by the Council of the City of Allentown, That

WHEREAS, the City owns the real estate with a property address of 725 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, Allentown, Pennsylvania 18102 more particularly described at Lehigh County Parcel Identification Number (PIN) # 640618377936 and at Lehigh County Deed Book 1230, Page 420, consisting of 1.7 acres, more or less, of vacant land in the City of Allentown (the "Parcel"); and

WHEREAS, the Housing Authority of the City of Allentown (the "Allentown Housing Authority") desires to purchase the Parcel as part of a plan to redevelop the Little Lehigh public housing complex; and

WHEREAS, the Allentown Housing Authority intends to demolish and rebuild the affordable housing units at Little Lehigh to provide updated housing options for individuals and families receiving housing assistance; and

WHEREAS, the sale of the Parcel to the Allentown Housing Authority for the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) is contingent upon the release of the restrictive covenant for park use purposes in the Parcel's Deed by the Lehigh County Orphans' Court upon the joint petition of the City, the Allentown Housing Authority and the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Allentown; and

WHEREAS, Section 130.24 of the Administrative Code and Section 3.3.5 of Administrative Regulation No. 8-1-05 each state that City owned real estate shall not be sold, conveyed or transferred without the prior authorization of City Council in the form of a Resolution adopted at a public meeting; and

WHEREAS, in the judgment of the City Council, continued ownership of the Parcel for park purposes does not further the best interest of the City and the Parcel would more beneficially be used by the Allentown Housing Authority to enhance affordable housing in the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor is authorized to sell and convey the property located at 725 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, Allentown, Pennsylvania

18102 to the Housing Authority of the City of Allentown and is further authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate such sale.